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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Wesley K. Beagle, DOB 5/26/85, of Black River Falls, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 66 months in prison, to be followed by a three-year term of supervised release, for being a felon in possession of a firearm. Beagle pleaded guilty to this charge on January 23, 2006.

Beagle was arrested in Jackson County, Wisconsin, after a homeowner reported that he had fired a gun at her home. Police later recovered the gun under the seat of an automobile. Beagle admitted to the police that he had possessed and fired the gun.

The charges against Beagle were the result of an investigation conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, the Wisconsin Department of Justice-Division of Criminal Investigation, and the Jackson County Sheriff's Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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